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From: Celia Halbert <celiahalbert@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 26, 2016 11:26 AM
To: Brett Robinson; shalbert@startelco.net
Subject: Re: Advisory opinion Follow-Up

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In response to questions:

1. Yes, Lee Stanley is a volunteer for the District since 1987.
2. Yes, Lee Stanley is currently the Chief of Fire District No. 12 since elected in January, 2000.
3. No, we have not been in contact with the Office of State Examiners as of this date.
4. Current firefighters of this district related to Chief Stanley are:
 - Robert B. Stanley (uncle & past chief).
 - O. Steven Halbert (2nd cousin, 2nd Assistant Chief & Vice President of Fire District No. 12.)
 - Zach Stanley (18 yr. old son).
 - F. Mack Fruge (stepfather).
 - Mark Godwin (1st cousin).

There are a total of 29 members on the 2016 rooster.

5. The Fire Chief of the District is elected by the members within the fire department, then appointed by the District's Board. Rapides Fire Protection District No. 12 was created in 1987 & is an entity of the State of Louisiana. The five member Board consists of 2 members being appointed by the Town of Cheneyville. Two members appointed by the Rapides Parish Police Jury. Those 4 members elect 1 more person to serve as President of the District. Officers have one year term.

6. The only relative serving on the Board is O. Steve Halbert (2nd cousin), Vice President of the Board.

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Celia Halbert

On Jul 25, 2016, at 3:02 PM, Brett Robinson <Brett.Robinson@la.gov> wrote:

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From: Brett Robinson
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Good morning Steve,

I recently received your advisory opinion request regarding Rapides Parish Fire Protection District No. 12 (District) hiring a part-time Chief. In order for the Board to more properly respond to your request, please answer the following questions:

- 1) Is Lee Stanley currently a volunteer firefighter for the District?
- 2) Is he currently the Chief?
- 3) Have you contacted the Office of State Examiners about how this will affect its designation as a volunteer fire department?
- 4) Are there currently any volunteer firefighters who are related to Mr. Stanley? If so, who?
- 5) Who is the hiring or appointing authority for Chief position?
- 6) Are there any relatives of Mr. Stanley apart of that authority?

I may have additional questions based upon your responses. I appreciate your prompt attention to this matter.

Thanks,

Brett Robinson

Attorney

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